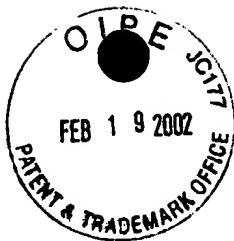


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In re Application of:

SHIGETO KAMATA, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/619,665

Filed: July 19, 2000

For: LINEAR MOTOR STAGE
SYSTEM FOR USE IN
EXPOSURE APPARATUS

Examiner: B. Mullins

Group Art Unit: 2834

February 19, 2002

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Changes
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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Request for Approval of Drawing Changes

Sir:

In response to the objection to the drawings in paragraph 2 of the September 17, 2001 Office Action, while not conceding the propriety thereof, Applicants respectfully request approval for amending the drawings as follows as shown in red on the attached figures:

IN FIGURE 15:

Please add the legend --Prior Art--.

IN FIGURE 16:

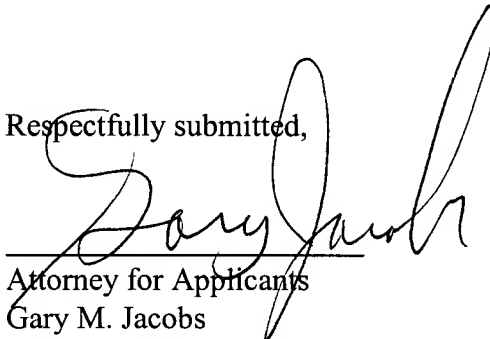
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Remarks

This request is being submitted in duplicate herewith.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. Office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address listed below.

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